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To: Rep. John Sinrud, Chair
House Appropriations Committee

From: Shirley K. Brown, Administrator
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A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Shirley K. Brown".

Re: HB 736

Date: March 21, 2007

The House Appropriations Committee heard HB 736 (providing an appropriation for shelter care facilities) on March 20. During the hearing, I was an informational witness. The information I provided the Committee included the daily rates for shelter care facilities and the approximate number of children/youth Child and Family Services had placed in shelter care. During the hearing, Rep. Taylor asked about the number of children/youth who were placed in a shelter care facility at the base rate and the number who were placed at the higher rates.

As of January 31, Child and Family Services had 74 children/youth placed in shelter care facilities. Of that number, 54 were placed at the base rate of \$69.10/day; 1 was placed at the intermediate rate of \$80.39/day; and 21 were placed at the rate of \$96.54/day. I should note that this number does not include the number of youth placed in shelter care by Juvenile Probation—I don't have that information available to me.

I hope this information assists the Committee during executive action of HB 736. Please let me know if I can provide any additional information to the Committee members.

X: Rep. Dan Villa